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Michigan Crop Weather

July 19, 2021

Field Crops

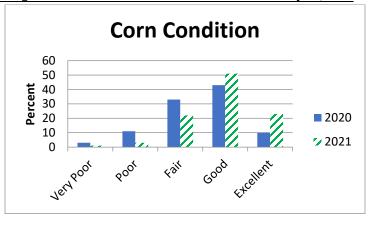
Persistent rains continued to fall across most of the State as growing conditions remained favorable, according to Marlo D. Johnson, Director of the Great Lakes Regional Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service. There were 3.9 days suitable for fieldwork in Michigan during the week ending July 18, 2021. Drought conditions decreased in most areas with only fifteen percent of the State in moderate to severe drought condition. The driest areas included the eastern half of the Upper Peninsula and the counties surrounding Saginaw Bay in the eastern central Lower Peninsula. Corn condition continued to improve in areas where rainfall was prevalent. 74 percent of the crop was rated good to excellent. A reported 42 percent of the crop was entering the silking stage as pollination was starting significantly earlier than normal. Soybean condition held steady with 64 percent of the crop rated good to excellent; near ideal growing conditions were reported in some areas, contributing to the rapid progress in setting pods. Dry Bean condition remained nearly unchanged as the crop has started to recover from water damage in previous weeks. Winter wheat harvest showed swift progress with a reported 47 percent of the crop threshed thus far. Hay producers continued second cuttings as conditions allowed. Other activities included crop scouting, spraying, and mid-season equipment maintenance.

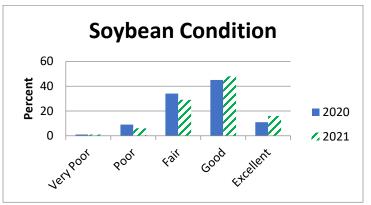
Fruit

Summer fruit harvest continued. Spotted wing Drosophilia (SWD) numbers increased last week. Early season peach varieties like Desiree, EarlyStar, and Harrow Diamond were ripe on some sites in the Southwest and were about 10 days from harvest in the Grand Rapids area. Midseason and late season varieties were beginning final swell. Tart cherry harvest began in the Northwest and was wrapping up in the Southwest. Fruit quality was excellent. Growers had been making regular ethephon applications with the anticipation of harvest in the coming days and weeks. Apples across the State continued to size well and were approximately 1.5 inches in the Grand Rapids area. Frost damage from freeze events in April began to show itself as frost rings, misshapen fruit, and cracking or yellowing of the calyx end of the fruit. Growers were very successful in controlling apple scab this season. There was little concern for fruit scab. Blueberry harvest began to move from early season to early midseason varieties like Bluecrop in the Southwest. Fruit quality of blueberries harvested to date was excellent, yields were better than expected and few problems were reported by growers. Rainy weather favored anthracnose and alternaria.

Vegetables

Following a period of heavy and persistent precipitation, many vegetable crops throughout the State were displaying symptoms of disease and nutritional issues, particularly field tomatoes and peppers. Pest presence was detected in asparagus and eggplant fields. The first significant harvests of sweet corn and snap beans were underway while harvest of garlic, sweet onions, and cucumbers intensified. Acorn squash and early pumpkins were setting fruit, and several crops were hitting the market, including cabbage, broccoli, and carrots. Forecast for potato late blight was at high risk in the South, but no late blight had been reported in Michigan to date.





Crop Condition: Week Ending 07/18/21

Crop	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Corn	1	3	22	51	23
Soybeans	1	6	29	48	16
Winter Wheat	3	10	29	52	6
Barley	6	8	24	59	3
Dry Edible Beans	7	10	40	37	6
Oats	0	8	34	54	4
Sugarbeets	3	8	27	49	13
Range and Pasture	6	6	34	47	7

Crop Progress: Week Ending 07/18/21

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	Percent Completed						
Crop/Activity	This	Last	Last	5 Year			
	week	week	year	average			
Days Suitable for Fieldwork	3.9	4.3	-	-			
Corn Silking	42	4	19	21			
Soybeans Blooming	63	37	43	43			
Soybeans Setting Pods	28	2	6	10			
Winter Wheat Mature	92	85	72	79			
Winter Wheat Harvested	47	12	42	39			
Barley Headed	80	71	43	N/A			
Barley Mature	13	9	N/A	N/A			
Dry Edible Beans Blooming	26	5	N/A	N/A			
Dry Beans Setting Pods	4	0	N/A	N/A			
Alfalfa Hay 2nd Cutting	69	55	53	48			
Alfalfa Hay 3rd Cutting	2	0	N/A	N/A			
Other Hay 1st Cutting	100	95	87	82			
Other Hay 2nd Cutting	30	22	28	27			
Oats Headed	92	89	93	89			
Oats Mature	23	13	N/A	N/A			

Soil Moisture: Week Ending 07/18/21

Item	Very short	Short	Adequate	Surplus
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Topsoil moisture	1	9	66	24
Subsoil moisture	1	13	75	11

Weather Summary For Michigan

Week Ending 2021-07-18 Since April 1 **GDD** Base **Precipitation Temperature** Precipitation High Low Avg DFN Total Days Total DFN Days Total DFN **Upper Peninsula** HANCOCK HOUGHTON COUNTY AP 0.31 8.10 -0.36 **IRONWOOD** 0.00 9.88 -2.07 **CHATHAM EXPERIMENT FARM 2** 0.00 9.62 -0.66 PICKFORD 3NE 6.82 -2.89 1.12 -141 Northwest LP 2.49 **BEULAH 7SSW** -1 11.69 0.25 12.07 1.51 FRANKFORT 2NE 2.38 TRAVERSE CITY CHERRY CAPITAL AP 11.07 0.80 2.30 WELLSTON 1N -3 5.33 13.87 2.44 -4 Northeast LP ALPENA COUNTY REGIONAL AP 1.38 10.53 1.06 **GAYLORD 9SSW** 9.28 -1.61 2.31 **GLENNIE 2SE** 1.79 9.53 -2.89 HALE LOUD DAM 1.38 11.34 0.71 **ONAWAY 4N** -3 3.22 12.35 2.71 **West Central LP** MUSKEGON COUNTY AP 11.35 1.35 0.38 Central LP **GLADWIN** -2 1.40 11.76 0.50 12.09 0.87 **MIDLAND** -3 1.47 **East Central LP** 8.64 -2.19 BAD AXE 0.26 SAGINAW #3 -1 0.83 11.86 0.02 SAGINAW MBS INTL AP 0.72 9.66 -1.05 9.66 -2.94 VASSAR 0.83 Southwest LP BENTON HARBOR -1 0.58 10.26 -1.93 GRAND RAPIDS GERALD R FORD INTL AP 13.88 0.60 -2 0.86 HOLLAND TULIP CITY AP -2 0.11 10.79 -1.55 **South Central LP** COLDWATER ST SCHOOL 1.75 14.79 1.34 **HASTINGS** -2 3.24 13.72 0.81 JACKSON REYNOLDS FIELD 9.95 -1.24 1.65 LANSING CAPITAL CITY AP 0.57 11.86 0.38 THREE RIVERS -2 1.37 14.41 0.97 Southeast LP ANN ARBOR U OF MICH -1 3.69 17.73 5.42 **CHELSEA** -1 2.79 12.74 1.48 17.64 6.35 **FARMINGTON** -2 3.43 **MANCHESTER** -1 1.86 13.84 1.76 PORT HURON 0.47 9.48 -1.74

Note:

Summary based on NOAA Regional Climate Centers (RCCs) data. Climate normals used are for the 1981-2010 period. Precipitation (rain or melted snow/ice) in inches. Air temperature in degrees Fahrenheit.